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## CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT

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Tony Christopherson  
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Re: **Division Directive** and Request for Information to Complete the Permitting Process,  
Geneva Rock Products, Levan Gypsum Mine, M/023/016, Juab County, Utah

Dear Mr. Christopherson:

On August 24, 2000, we received your Notice of Intention to Conduct Large Mining Operations (LMO) at the Levan Gypsum Mine, which you took over from Robert Steele. This site was originally permitted as a small mining operation, with less than five acres of disturbance. Because Mr. Steele exceeded the limitation of a small mining project, he submitted a LMO on October 19, 1999.

Geneva Rock later took over the Levan Gypsum project and resubmitted a LMO in August 24, 2000. A \$56,000 transitional surety was received in January 2001. The transitional surety was posted until the LMO application was finalized and approved. You were advised that at the time of final approval, the surety may have to be adjusted either up or down from the \$56,000 transitional surety now in place. The transitional Reclamation Contract states: "An approved Large Mining Notice of Intention must be in place at the end of a 12 month time period following Division receipt of this contract. Any extension of this filing time period will be in writing and at the sole discretion of the Division."

After several meetings and discussions with you regarding the LMO application, the Division sent our initial review of the August 24, 2000, submission on January 30, 2001. We requested that you respond to the deficiencies within 30 days. On April 10, 2001, Tom Munson of our office called and you informed him that you needed more time to respond, that you had to get on site to complete the geotechnical work and the eagle survey, which could not be done before spring. On September 4, 2001, you sent a facsimile notification informing us you had just

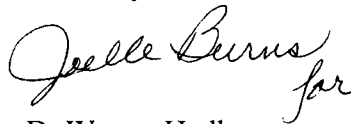
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received all the completed studies required to give an appropriate response to our January 2001 review. You stated you would submit your formal response by September 14, 2001.

We still have not received your response; therefore, **the Division directs Geneva Rock Products to respond to our January 2001 review by October 31, 2001 with a complete and technically adequate response.** Due to the time that has already elapsed, and due to the fact that the 12 month time period for a transitional contract will soon expire, we expect your response to be complete and technically adequate so that we may proceed with tentative approval of this permit. When we issue tentative approval we must publish our decision in the Salt Lake and local newspapers which will begin a 30-day public comment period. At the end of the public comment period, if no adverse comments are received, we would then be prepared to issue final approval. Before final approval could be issued, the surety would have to be adjusted, if necessary, and a new Reclamation Contract provided.

We are desirous to finalize the permitting process for the Levan Gypsum Mine. Your immediate cooperation is imperative, due to the time constraints involved. If you have any questions or concerns with this letter, please contact me at (801) 538-5286, or Mary Ann Wright at (801) 538-5306.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joelle Burns" followed by a smaller "for" written below it.

D. Wayne Hedberg  
Permit Supervisor  
Minerals Regulatory Program

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cc: Dale Whitelock, USFS, Spanish Fork RD  
Mary Ann Wright, DOGM  
Tom Munson, DOGM  
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